



THE PARISHES OF PORTSTEWART, PORTRUSH & BUSHMILLS

North Connor Pastoral Community

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17th March 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent * SOLEMNITY OF ST PATRICK

Sunday B / Weekdays 2 Psalter Week 1

MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISHES THIS WEEK

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, PORTSTEWART

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm
Sunday Mass at 10am
Tuesday Mass at 7pm
Wednesday – Saturday: Mass at 9.30am
Eucharistic Adoration:
every Thursday from 10am – 5pm
CONFESSIONS: Saturday at 10am & 4pm
and at 10am on First Friday of the month

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, PORTRUSH

Sunday at 12 noon
Monday, Tuesday & Friday at 10.30am
Eucharistic Adoration:
First Friday of the Month from 11am – 3pm
CONFESSIONS: Friday at 10am

ST MALACHY'S CHURCH, COLERAINE

Saturday Vigil at 6.30pm, Sunday at 11am
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 10am

OUR LADY & ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYMONEY

Saturday Vigil at 6pm, Sunday at 9.30am & 5pm
Monday & Wednesday 10am, Friday 7pm

UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER, COLERAINE

Wednesday at 1.15pm in the Prayer Room (L102)

COLLECTIONS

PORTSTEWART
Last weekend's Parish Collection: **£1460**
Our account details are: Portstewart Parish
Sort Code: 95-04-28 Account number: 91011049

PORTRUSH
Last weekend's Parish Collection: **£589**
Our account details are: Portrush Parish
Sort Code: 95-06-79 Account number: 00254207
Please use your name as our reference. Thank you

PRAYER OF ST PATRICK

Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.



PORTSTEWART

Parish Secretary: Ruth McGuckian 7083 2534
Email: portstewart@downandconnor.org

Parish Office Hours 18 – 22 March

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9am – 2pm

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Kate Boyle, Steve Parr, Martin Conway, Patricia Kelly, Doddy Mullan, Ely Vieira de Souza, Seamus Devlin, Gloria O'Kane RIP
ANNIVERSARIES: James Purdy, James McCullagh, Anne McCrory, John Kelly, Bernie McCorry, Elizabeth Carr, Michael and Bridget Boyle, Marleen and John King, Gary McGowan, Brendan Loughrey, John Kirk More, Cecilia Sweeney

NEXT WEEKEND 23 – 24 March (PORTSTEWART)

VIGIL Minister of the Word: Lorna O'Brien
Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret McQuillan, Rosella McKenna, Ruth McGuckian
SUNDAY 10am Minister of the Word: Edel Mooney
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary McKenna* Seamus O'Hara* Margaret Conway, Brian Lenehan



Eoghan Rua are hosting a Coffee Morning TODAY St Patrick's Day in Star of the Sea Parish Centre from 11-1pm. There will be traditional music and Arts and Crafts for children. All welcome!



CONGRATULATIONS to the children of St Colum's Primary School who made their First Confession last week.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES (Portstewart)

Gift envelopes for 2024/25 are now available and can be collected from the Church at Mass times, or from the office *during office hours only*. Please leave your name and contact number on the list provided if you would like envelopes. You can also support the parish through a regular standing order. Our account details are:

Portstewart Parish
Sort Code: 95-04-28

Account number: 91011049

Please use your name as our reference.

If you want to give by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: **Portstewart Parish**.

Gift Aid forms are also available.

Thank you for your support.

PORTRUSH

Fr Patrick Delargy 7082 3388
Email: portrush@downandconnor.org

Parish Office Hours 18 – 22 March

OFFICE CLOSED THIS WEEK

Please phone the Portstewart office with any queries

REST IN PEACE

RECENT: Rudi Forte
ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Caulfield, Jim Smith, Liam Bradley, Gerard Mulholland, Karol Crawley

NEXT SUNDAY 24 March (PORTRUSH)

Minister of the Word: Mary McAlister
Eucharistic Minister: Marie McAuley

ALTAR SOCIETY

16-29 March: Marie McAuley, Marie Conway, Mary McIntyre-Loveridge

PARISH DISCUSSION

Thursday 21st March from 7-8.30pm

St Patrick's Hall, Causeway Street, Portrush
Topic for Discussion: Jesus, the Cross and Suffering
All welcome

LEGION OF MARY ACIES: Sunday 24th March at 3pm in St Patrick & St Brigid's Church, Ballycastle. All welcome.

INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT PROGRAMME

"You can't understand Jesus apart from the Old Testament"
Bishop Barron

This programme will provide an opportunity to:

- Dive into the rich stories and characters of the Old Testament
- Help our understanding of the Old Testament and its relevance

No prior study of Scripture is required.

Starts Wednesday 10th April [for 8 weeks] from 7-8.30pm

Venue: St Malachy's Parish Centre Coleraine

Course Book: 'Walking with God; A Journey Through The Bible' Tim Gray, Jeff Cavins

Contact: Kieran kc.hill@btinternet.com 0796 4287 839

PORTRUSH HERITAGE EVENING

A Miscellany of Local Culture.

The popular Portrush Heritage Evenings continue on Wednesday 20th March at 7.30pm in the Portrush Atlantic Hotel with an evening celebration of local culture with Music, Song, Storytelling and Readings. All and everyone are welcome. Free to Members (£15 Annual Subscription) and £5 for visitors.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS IN OUR PARISHES

First Holy Communion

PORTSTEWART: Saturday 27th April at 10am
PORTRUSH: Saturday 13th April at 12 noon
COLERAINE: Saturday 1st June at 12 noon St Malachy's
Saturday 8th June at 12 noon other schools

Confirmation

PORTSTEWART: Sunday 19th May at 12 noon
PORTRUSH: Sunday 14th April at 2pm
COLERAINE: Sunday 28th April at 2pm St Malachy's PS
Sunday 12th May at 2pm other schools
Saturday 15th June at 12 noon Sandelford



PORTSTEWART CEMETERY SUNDAY
Sunday 9th June

CELEBRATING THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT IN OUR PARISHES

There is Early Morning Mass at **7am** every week day during Lent at St Malachy's Church, Coleraine



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross at 11am on Friday at St Patrick's Church, Portrush

Eucharistic Adoration and Stations of the Cross in St Malachy's Church on Friday: confessions at 6.30pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm

LIVING WITH THE WORD OF GOD: LECTIO DIVINA

Thursday evening in the Marian Hall from 7.30-8.30pm

LIVING FAITH

A five week programme for 18-30 year olds. Wednesday in the Marian Hall from 6-7.30pm.

VESPERS AND TAIZA PRAYER

Tuesday in St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church from 6-7pm followed by Mass. Starting with the Angelus at 6pm, there will then be Vespers followed by quiet, meditative prayer with music, Scripture and times of silence.

LENTEN ROSARY WALK

Friday at 1pm in Agherton Cemetery, and then to Portstewart Cemetery.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY MASS

Ballymoney parish is offering special Dementia Friendly Masses at 2pm on the Saturdays of Lent.



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